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TO: DIRECTOR INFO [ ]

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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH AFL BUSINESS MANAGER KARLHEINZ MARBACH

REF: DIRECTOR 475229 (NOT SENT THE HAGUE)

1. ON 5 MAY [ ] UNDER EMBASSY COVER, ATTENDED A LECTURE BY CALGARY UNIV PROFESSOR ERIC WALDMAN IN BONN HOSTED BY THE "ARBEITSKREIS FUER LANDESVERTEIDIGUNG" (AFL). CA. 50 PERSONS WERE IN ATTENDANCE TO HEAR WALDMAN SPEAK ON "U.S.-GERMAN RELATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CURRENT INTERNATIONAL SECURITY SITUATION." WALDMAN SPOKE FOR ABOUT AN HOUR ON THE CURRENT U.S. DEFENSE POLICY, INF DEPLOYMENT, THE PEACE MOVEMENT, THE "FREEZE" RESOLUTION AND THE U.S. CATHOLIC BISHOPS' LETTER ON DISARMAMENT. SPEAKING IN FLUENT GERMAN WALDMAN GAVE AN ARTICULATE DEFENSE OF THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION'S POSITIONS ON DEFENSE ISSUES. DURING THE QUESTION PERIOD FOLLOWING THE AUDIENCE PROVED TO VERY PRO-U.S. AND PRO-NATO. THERE WAS A MIXTURE OF RETIRED MILITARY, ACTIVE DUTY OFFICERS AND UNIVERSITY-AGED PEOPLE. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHINESE EMBASSY MILITARY ATTACHE'S OFFICE ALSO ATTENDED.

2. DURING THE SOCIAL PERIOD AFTER THE LECTURE, [ ] WAS ABLE TO MEET WALDMAN & THE AFL BUSINESS MANAGER, KARLHEINZ MARBACH. THE LATTER TALKED ABOUT HIS PLANS FOR EXPANDING AFL INTO A NATION-WIDE ORGANIZATION OF 5,000 DUES-PAYING MEMBERS. AT PRESENT THEY HAVE ONLY CA. 500 MEMBERS, WHO ARE LOCATED MOSTLY IN THE NORTH RHINE-WESTPHALIAN AREA. MARBACH IMPRESSED US AS AN ARTICULATE AND INTELLIGENT OPERATOR WHO MAY BE CAPABLE OF CARRYING OUT HIS OBJECTIVE. HE REMINISCED ABOUT HIS PAST, WHICH INCLUDED TEN YEARS IN BERLIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORLD WAR II, WHERE HE RAN A PUBLISHING FIRM WHICH HE SAID EMPLOYED THIRTY PEOPLE AND WAS FINANCED BY PNXCEL. IN 1959 TWO YEARS BEFORE THE BERLIN WALL WENT UP, PNXCEL AND THE ALL-GERMAN MINISTRY WITHDREW FUNDING AND HE HAD TO CLOSE DOWN. FOR THE NEXT 20 YEARS HE WORKED FOR THE DEFENSE MINISTRY AS AN ADVISOR ON PHYSIC-WARFARE ACTIVITIES AFTER A BRIEF STINT WITH CASCOPE. HE SAID HE

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LEFT CASCOPE WHEN HE FOUND THAT THEY HAD NO CHARTER FOR PSYCH-WARFARE OPS, WHICH IS HIS FIRST LOVE.

3. MARBACH SAID THAT HE WANTS TO BUILD UP THE AFL MEMBERSHIP TO THE POINT THAT THE MEMBERSHIP CAN FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THE BASIC STAFF AND OFFICES. SPECIAL OPERATIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES CAN THEN BE FINANCED BY GRANTS FROM THE GERMAN GOVT AND OTHER BACKERS. HE SAID THAT HE LEARNED HIS LESSON IN BERLIN, WHERE HE WAS SO DEPENDENT ON OUTSIDE FUNDING THAT, WHEN THIS CEASED, HE HAD TO CLOSE DOWN.

4. MARBACH WAS OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE INF DEPLOYMENT ISSUE, STATING THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION IS BEHIND NATO AND THE U.S., BUT HE IS WORRIED ABOUT THE VIOLENT MINORITY, WHICH CAN BE VERY DISRUPTIVE. HE BELIEVES THAT THE EAST WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPOSITION AND THERE THUS SHOULD BE A MORE ACTIVE PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN AGAINST EASTERN EUROPE AND THE SOVIET UNION TO EXPLOIT THEIR OBVIOUS WEAKNESSES.

5. MARBACH WAS VERY COMPLIMENTARY OF COL. PETERS, THE CHAIRMAN OF AFL, AND SAID THAT HE WORKS VERY WELL WITH PETERS, WHO CONCENTRATES ON LECTURES AND SEMINAR WORK, WHILE LEAVING THE PUBLICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP SOLICITATION TO MARBACH.

6. STATION COMMENT:

A. STATION ASSESSMENT OF MARBACH IS THAT HE IS AN OLD PRO AT THE CA BUSINESS AND THAT IT WOULD BE RELATIVELY EASY TO RE-RECRUIT HIM TO WORK WITH PNEXCEL IN THE [ ] FIELD.

B. SINCE WE ARE ALREADY WORKING WITH [ ] WE DO NOT WANT TO CROSS WIRES AT THIS POINT BY BREAKING COVER WITH MARBACH. WE WILL THUS CONTINUE TO CONCENTRATE ON [ ] TO GAIN HIS FULL WITTING COOPERATION.

C. IT IS OUR IMPRESSION THAT WITH MARBACH AND [ ] THE AFL LEADERSHIP IS IN THE HANDS OF TWO VERY DEDICATED PROFESSIONALS AND THAT WITH CAREFUL DEVELOPMENT AND MANIPULATION WE WILL BE ABLE TO ASSIST THIS ORGANIZATION TO EXPAND ITS SUPPORT OF PNEXCEL OBJECTIVES.

7. PER PARA 2 REF, REQUEST DETAILED HQS TRACES ON KARLHEINZ ((MARBACH)), SUBJECT OF [ ]

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